Written Answers

(Amount in Rupees)

S.No.	Name of the State	Year					
		1995-96			1996-97		
		Amount released		No. of Madarsas	Amount released		No. of Madarsas
1.	Uttar Pradesh	Rs.	34,88,000/-	120	Rs.	9,42,400/-	31
2.	Madhya Pradesh	Rs.	11,09,600/-	39		-	-
3.	Haryana	Rs.	1,32,000/-	5 '		-	-
4.	Karnataka	Rs.	2,73,600/-	9		-	-
5.	Kerala	Rs.	12,76,800/-	42		-	-
6.	Tripura	Rs.	7,29,600/-	24		-	-
7.	West Bengal	Rs.	24,32,000/-	80		-	-
8.	Assam	Rs.	19,45,600/-	64		-	-
9.	Tamil Nadu	Rs.	30,400/-	1		-	-
10.	Sikkim	Rs.	30,400/-	1		-	-
11.	Rajasthan	Rs.	4,07,000/-	For establish of book bank		-	-
12.	Delhi	Rs.	1,52,000/-	5		-	-
13.	Andhra Pradesh		-	-	Rs. 1	0,94,400/-	36
14.	Bihar		-	-	Rs.	9,42,400/-	31
15.	Chandigarh		-	-	Rs.	30,400/-	1
Total		Rs.	1,20,07,000/-	390	Rs. 3	30,09,600/-	99

[Translation]

Adulteration of Food Items

3491. SHRI JAYSINH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cases of adulteration of food items, particularly in edible oil in the markets have been brought to the notice of the Government;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have tested such adulterated poisonous food items and soft drinks sold in markets:
- (d) if so, the action taken against those involved in it:
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to prevent the said adulteration of food

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HELATH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) to (c) Out of eight (8) samples of edible oils collected by the Field Staff of the Ministry of Food and Civil Supplies, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution from the cities of Ahmedabad and Chennai (Madras) during 1996, three (3) samples were found to be not conforming to the standards. However, no poisonous matter has been reported to be present in the aforesaid samples of edible oils. No case of presence of poisonous matter in samples of soft drinks has also been reported to this Ministry.

- (d) and (e) The concerned State Governments of Gujarat and Tamil Nadu have been advised to take appropriate action in the matter as per law.
- (f) Standards of commonly used food articles including edible oils and soft drinks have been prescribed under the provisions of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 and rules made thereunder. The Food (Health) Authorities of States/U.Ts enforcing the provisions of the P.F.A. Act, 1954, are periodically advised to keep a strict vigil on the qualify of food items sold in markets.

CGWB for Water Wells

- 3492. SHRIMATI KAMAL RANI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :
- (a) the places where digging work for water well has been undertaken by Central Ground Water Board in 1996-97;